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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND
TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for the enclosed Notice to File Missing Parts dated 9/17/2001. The shortened period for response ended **November 17, 2001** and the extension requested is for **one month to December 17, 2001**. Submitted herewith is a check for \$490.00 to cover this extension fee as well as the missing parts surcharge and filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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